

REMARKS

Claims 1-6 have been examined. Claims 5 and 6 are rejected, and claims 1-4 are allowed.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowance of claims 1-4.

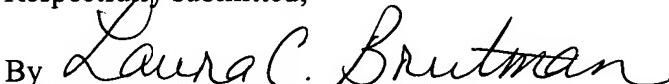
Claims 5 and 6 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Nishioka et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,996,400). While not conceding the validity of this rejection, but merely to advance prosecution, Applicant has canceled the rejected claims. This rejection is now rendered moot.

The Title has been amended to be consistent with the changes to the claims.

In view of the above amendments, Applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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